

Service of Process Transmittal

CT Log Number 532472260

12/14/2017

TO:

Steve Reed Res-Care, Inc.

9901 Linn Station Rd Louisville, KY 40223-3808

RE:

**Process Served in West Virginia** 

FOR:

ResCare Behavior Services, Inc. (Former Name) (Domestic State: DE)

SpringHealth Integrated Care, Inc. (True Name)

ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION:

Dwan L. Brown, by his Conservator and Guardian, Hollie J. Brown, et al.,

Pltfs. vs. Res-Care, Inc., et al., Dfts. // To: ResCare Behavior Services, Inc.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:

Letter, Summons, Amended Complaint

COURT/AGENCY:

Kanawha County Circuit Court, WV

Case # 17C1519

NATURE OF ACTION:

Medical Injury - Improper Care and Treatment

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:

C T Corporation System, Charleston, WV

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE:

By Certified Mail on 12/14/2017 postmarked on 12/12/2017

JURISDICTION SERVED:

West Virginia

APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE:

Within 30 days after service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service

ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S):

Andrew S. Nason Pepper & Nason 8 Hale Street Charleston, WV 25301 304-346-0361

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Control Number: 207119

Defendant: RESCARE BEHAVIOR SERVICES,

INC.

5400 D Big Tyler Road

CHARLESTON, WV 25313 US

Agent: C. T. Corporation System

County: Kanawha Civil Action: 17-C-1519

Certified Number: 92148901125134100002197480

Service Date: 12/11/2017

I am enclosing:

1 summons and amended complaint

which was served on the Secretary at the State Capitol as your statutory attorney-in-fact. According to law, I have accepted service of process in the name and on behalf of your corporation.

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Sincerely,

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V.

CIVIL ACTION NO

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Defendants.

To the above-named Defendant: RESCARE BEHAVIOR SERVICES, INC. C/O CT CORPORATION SYSTEM

5400 D BIG TYLER ROAD CHARLESTON, WV 25313

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, you are hereby summoned and required to serve upon ANDREW S. NASON, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 8 Hale Street. Charleston. West Virginia 25301, an answer, including any related counterclaim you may have, to the Amended Complaint filed against you in the abovestyled civil action, a true copy of which is herewith delivered to you. You are required to serve your answer within \_\_\_\_ days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint and you will be thereafter barred from asserting in another action any claim you may have which must be asserted by counterclaim in the above styled civil action.

Dated:

Cathy S. Gatson, Clerk

CLERK OF COURT

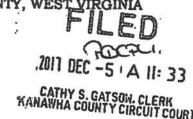
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### AMENDED COMPLAINT

Holly J. Brown and Gloria Brown, individually and as Guardian and Conservator for Dwan L. Brown, claimants herein, by and through counsel state as follows:

- That the Plaintiff, Dwan L. Brown, is a protected person and a resident of Kanawha County, West Virginia.
- That Hollie J. Brown and Gloria Brown are the parents of Dwan L. Brown and are the duly-appointed conservator and Guardian of Dwan L. Brown by Order of the Circuit Court of Kanawha County, West Virginia entered on March 11, 2016.
- 3. That Res-Care, Inc. is, on information and belief, the parent corporation; that Rescare, Home Care is the trade name for Southern Home Care Services, Inc. and Rescare Behavior Services, Inc. are, on information and belief, providing services to the Plaintiff.
- 4. That all of the Defendants herein are Kentucky corporations, or corporations licensed and/or authorized to conduct business in the State of West Virginia, and at all times relevant to the complaint herein were providing residential care services and other care services in Kanawha County, West Virginia and operate a facility in St. Albans, West Virginia at 222 Hudson Street, St. Albans, West Virginia providing personal care services to disabled West Virginians.
- That at all times relevant herein the Defendants owned and operated that personal care home located at 222 Hudson Street, St. Albans, Kanawha County, West Virginia.

- 6. That Dwan L. Brown was a resident of the personal care home Defendants owned and operated as a care home, personal care home which provide shelter, sustenance, therapy dispenses medication, and provides other care services at the Defendants' care home for the period from up to the time of his admission to Thomas Memorial Hospital on November 4, 2015 and thereafter.
- 7. That at all times relevant, the Defendants employed various medical providers, care provider, therapeutic and professional staff at their care home, and these employees/servants/agents whose names and identities are not yet fully known due to the illegible nature of the Defendants' records, were acting within the scope of their employment when they rendered care to Swan Brown, and they failed to follow the applicable standard of care during their care and treatment of Dwan Brown at the 222 Hudson Street, St. Albans, West Virginia, which proximately resulted in a physical injury to Dwan Brown and proximately cause injury and resulting in medical treatment.
- 8. That the acts of negligence or malpractice occasioned by the Defendants that proximately resulted in the injury to Dwan Brown, occurred on or about November 4, 2015.
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- 10. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' actions, by and through their employees/servants/agents, by breaching the applicable standard of care owed to Dwan Brown by failing to provide all of the proper care, supervision and protection, Dwan Brown sustained a physical injury to his body resulting in invasive surgery.
- 11. That as a direct and proximate result of the breach of the applicable standard of medical care by the Defendants, by and through their employees/servants/agents, Dwan Brown 1) suffered conscious pain and suffering in the past; 2) incurred medical expenses in the past; 3) suffered mental anguish; and 4) suffered physical injuries.
- 12. That all of the injuries and damages sustained by Dwan Brown are, by and through his parents and legal guardians and conservators, were the direct and proximate result of the negligent actions and breaches of the applicable standards of

care by all of the Defendants, by and through their employees/servants/agents, without any act or omission on the part of Dwan Brown, or on the part of any of the Plaintiffs herein, directly thereunto contributing.

- 13. That Dwan Brown and all of the Plaintiffs herein did not assume the risk of the injuries to Dwan Brown.
- 14. The Plaintiffs have complied with their statutory prefiling requirements, required by West Virginia statutory law.

### COUNT I: NEGLIGENCE - BREACH OF THE STANDARD OF CARE

The Plaintiffs reallege and incorporate by reference herein all of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 12 above.

15. That on or before November 4, 2015 and thereafter, the Defendants, by and through their employees/servants/agents breached the applicable standard of care owed to Dwan Brown, which directly caused a physical injury to the patient and was the direct and proximate cause of all of the injuries and damages being pursued by the Plaintiffs in the case at bar.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs claim monetary damages up to the statutory amount against the Defendants individually in an amount to be determined at trial, plus costs, and for any further relief that this Honorable Court determines necessary and appropriate.

DWAN L. BROWN, by his Conservator and Guardian, HOLLIE J. BROWN and GLORIA BROWN, and HOLLIE J. BROWN and GLORIA BROWN,

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12/14/2017

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TO: Steve Reed

Res-Care, Inc. 9901 Linn Station Rd Louisville, KY 40223-3808

RE: **Process Served in West Virginia** 

FOR: Res-Care, Inc. (Domestic State: KY)

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DOCUMENT(S) SERVED: Letter, Summons, Complaint

COURT/AGENCY: Kanawha County Circuit Court, WV

Case # 17C1519

NATURE OF ACTION: Medical Injury - Improper Care and Treatment

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED: C T Corporation System, Charleston, WV

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE: By Certified Mail on 12/14/2017 postmarked on 12/12/2017

JURISDICTION SERVED: West Virginia

APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE: Within 30 days after service, exclusive of the day of service

ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S):

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County: Kanawha

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FOR: Southern Home Care Services, Inc. (Domestic State: DE)

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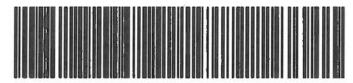
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304-346-0361

Counsel for Plaintiffs



Service of Process **Transmittal** 

CT Log Number 532410102

12/04/2017

TO: Steve Reed Res-Care, Inc.

9901 Linn Station Rd Louisville, KY 40223-3808

RE: **Process Served in West Virginia** 

ResCare Behavior Services, Inc. (Former Name) (Domestic State: DE) FOR:

SpringHealth Integrated Care, Inc. (True Name)

ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION: Dwan L. Brown, by his Conservator and Guardian, Hollie J. Brown, et al.,

Pltfs. vs. Res-Care, Inc., et al., Dfts. // To: ResCare Behavior Services, Inc.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED: Letter, Summons, Complaint

Kanawha County Circuit Court, WV Case # 17C1519 COURT/AGENCY:

NATURE OF ACTION: Medical Injury - Improper Care and Treatment

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED: C T Corporation System, Charleston, WV

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE: By Certified Mail on 12/04/2017 postmarked on 12/01/2017

JURISDICTION SERVED: West Virginia

APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE: Within 30 days after service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service

ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S): Andrew S. Nason

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SIGNED: C T Corporation System 5400 D Big Tyler Road Charleston, WV 25313 ADDRESS:

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To the above-named Defendant: RESCARE BEHAVIOR SERVICES, INC.

C/O CT CORPORATION SYSTEM

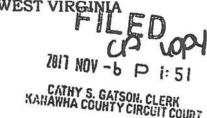
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Service of Process **Transmittal** 

12/04/2017

CT Log Number 532410533

TO: Steve Reed

Res-Care, Inc. 9901 Linn Station Rd Louisville, KY 40223-3808

RE: **Process Served in West Virginia** 

FOR: Res-Care, Inc. (Domestic State: KY)

### ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION: DWAN L. BROWN, etc., et al., Pltfs. vs. RES-CARE, INC., et al., Dfts.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED: Letter, Summons, Complaint

COURT/AGENCY: Kanawha County Circuit Court, WV

Case # 17C1519

NATURE OF ACTION: Medical Injury - Improper Care and Treatment

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED: C T Corporation System, Charleston, WV

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE: By Certified Mail on 12/04/2017 postmarked on 12/01/2017

JURISDICTION SERVED: West Virginia

APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE: Within 30 days after service, exclusive of the day of service

ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S):

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Defendant: RES-CARE, INC.

5400 D Big Tyler Road

CHARLESTON, WV 25313 US

Agent: C. T. Corporation System

County: Kanawha

Civil Action: 17-C-1519

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To the above-named Defendant: RES-CARE, INC.
C/O CT CORPORATION SYSTEM
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CHARLESTON, WV 25313

Dated: [][[]

CLERK OF COURT

By: Deputy Clerk

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CATHY S. GATSON, CLERK KANAWHA COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

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### Service of Process **Transmittal**

12/04/2017

CT Log Number 532410440

TO:

Steve Reed Res-Care, Inc. 9901 Linn Station Rd Louisville, KY 40223-3808

RE:

**Process Served in West Virginia** 

FOR:

Southern Home Care Services, Inc. (Domestic State: GA)

According to our records representation services for this entity have been discontinued in this jurisdiction.

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Home Care Services, Inc.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:

Summons, Complaint

COURT/AGENCY:

Kanawha County Circuit Court, WV

Case # 17C1519

NATURE OF ACTION:

BREACH OF THE STANDARD OF CARE

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:

C T Corporation System, Charleston, WV

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE:

By Certified Mail on 12/04/2017 postmarked on 12/01/2017

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APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE:

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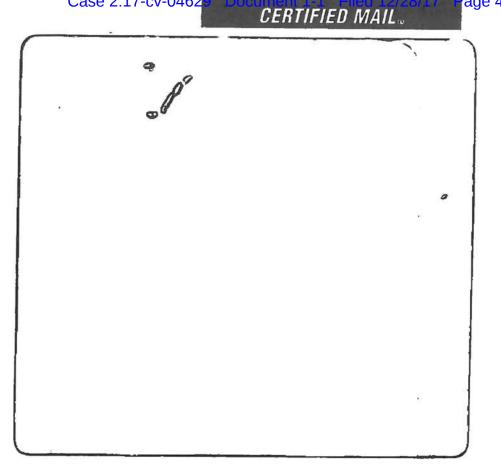
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Dated: 11/0/1

Cathy S. Gatson, Clerk

By: Deputy Clerk

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KANAWHA COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

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- 6. That Dwan L. Brown was a resident of the personal care home Defendants owned and operated as a care home, personal care home which provide shelter, sustenance, therapy dispenses medication, and provides other care services at the Defendants' care home for the period from up to the time of his admission to Thomas Memorial Hospital on November 4, 2015 and therafter.
- 7. That at all times relevant, the Defendants employed various medical providers, care provider, therapeutic and professional staff at their care home, and these employees/servants/agents whose names and identities are not yet fully known due to the illegible nature of the Defendants' records, were acting within the scope of their employment when they rendered care to Swan Brown, and they failed to follow the applicable standard of care during their care and treatment of Dwan Brown at the 222 Hudson Street, St. Albans, West Virginia, which proximately resulted in a physical injury to Dwan Brown and proximately cause injury and resulting in medical treatment.
- 8. That the acts of negligence or malpractice occasioned by the Defendants that proximately resulted in the injury to Dwan Brown, occurred on or about November 4, 2015 and thereafter including the summer of 2017 and thereafter, occurred in Kanawha County, West Virginia.
- 9. That the standard of medical/supervised care applicable to the Defendants was to provide the proper daily care, supervision and oversight to prevent him from having access to and swallowing foreign objects in his daily activities which resulted in foreign objects being ingested by him which was resulted in a surgical procedure to remove those objects.

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- 10. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' actions, by and through their employees/servants/agents, by breaching the applicable standard of care owed to Dwan Brown by failing to provide all of the proper care, supervision and protection, Dwan Brown sustained a physical injury to his body resulting in invasive surgery.
- 11. That as a direct and proximate result of the breach of the applicable standard of medical care by the Defendants, by and through their employees/servants/agents, Dwan Brown 1) suffered conscious pain and suffering in the past; 2) incurred medical expenses in the past; 3) suffered mental anguish; and 4) suffered physical injuries.
- 12. That all of the injuries and damages sustained by Dwan Brown are, by and through his parents and legal guardians and conservators, were the direct and proximate result of the negligent actions and breaches of the applicable standards of care by all of the Defendants, by and through their employees/servants/agents, without any act or omission on the part of Dwan Brown, or on the part of any of the Plaintiffs herein, directly thereunto contributing.
- 13. That Dwan Brown and all of the Plaintiffs herein did not assume the risk of the injuries to Dwan Brown.
- 14. The Plaintiffs have complied with their statutory prefiling requirements required by West Virginia statutory law.

# COUNT I: NEGLIGENCE - BREACH OF THE STANDARD OF CARE

The Plaintiffs reallege and incorporate by reference herein all of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 12 above.

15. That on or before November 4, 2015 and prior to mid-2017, and thereafter, the Defendants, by and through their employees/servants/agents breached the applicable standard of care owed to Dwan Brown, which directly caused a physical injury to the patient and was the direct and proximate cause of all of the injuries and damages being pursued by the Plaintiffs in the case at bar.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs claim monetary damages up to the statutory amount against the Defendants individually in an amount to be determined at trial, plus costs, and for any further relief that this Honorable Court determines necessary and appropriate.

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